

# Midwest Regional Youth Defense Summit 2022

Thursday, July 21, 2022 - 8:30am to Friday, July 22, 2022 - 3:00pm

## Raising Race & Uplifting Voice

**Creighton University School of Law**  
**2500 California St**  
**Omaha NE, 68178**

**[Click here to register.](#)**

For youth defenders and advocates practicing in:

Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin

- The morning session on Thursday, July 21 is open to all juvenile court stakeholders.
- The afternoon session on Thursday, July 21 and the full day on Friday, July 22 is open only to youth defense attorneys and other youth defense professionals.
- Lunch will be provided on Thursday, July 21 for those who register by Friday, July 15.

Thursday July 21, 2022 (8:45am-1:30pm). General audience, lunch included

- Raising Race and the 4th Amendment: Amanda Powell, J.D., Gault Center Consultant
- Sharing Power and Mobilizing Lived Experience in Juvenile Justice System Transformation: Kayla Powell, Youth Development Coordinator, Iowa Department of Human Rights & Adriana (Audi) Espinoza, Vice-Chair Iowa's Youth Justice Council
- Liberating the Voices of Students: Youth Leadership in the Removal of School Resource Officers: Lyric Sellers & Endi Montalvo-Martinez, Youth Action Squad Members, Iowa Department of Human Rights

Thursday, July 21, 2022 (1:45pm-4:00pm). Defense-specific

- Raising Race and the 4th Amendment forensic exercise: Amanda Powell, J.D., Gault Center Consultant
- Competency Proceedings in Juvenile Court: Jennifer Houlden, Chief Deputy Public Defender, Lancaster County, Nebraska & Lauren Walag, Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Division Supervisor, Douglas County Nebraska

Friday, July 22, 2022 (8:30am- 3:00pm). Defense-specific

- Storytelling and Developing a Theory of Defense: Travis Stearns, JD-Washington Appellate Project

- Expert Midwest Panel of Youth Defense Attorneys: Karri Russell-MI; Scott Main-IL, Diane Rodini-WI; Roberta Megel-IA, Amanda Speichert-NE
- Brain Injury and Justice Involved Youth: Dennis Marks, Sarpy County Public Defender's Office and Peggy Reischer, Nebraska Brain Injury Alliance
- Raising Race and Challenging Transfer and Waiver Laws: Travis Stearns, JD-Washington Appellate Project

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